(b) whether the D.T.C. has carried out any enquiry into the allegation;

(c) if so, what are the findings; and

(d) if the answer to part (b) above be in negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Even before the news item appeared in the Times of India, the DTC management had initiated action on receipt of the complaint from other sources. The lady and the co-passenger involved in the incident were contacted by the DTC officers at their residence. Written complaints were received from them and a regular enquiry was initiated. On the basis of the enquiry, the services of the Driver were terminated immediatly and the Conductor was placed under suspension

(d) Does not arise.

Inadequate, slow medical relief to Bhopal Gas victims

1971. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the 'Hindustan Times' of the 8th June, 1985 regards quate, slow relief to Bhopal gas victims: and

(b) whether the Central Government propose to rush medicines immediately for the gas affected people and if not, what are the reasons therefor

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On the request of the State Government the Union Government has already arranged to supply adequate quantity of Sodium Thiosulphate to the State Government. No other request for the supply of any other drugs and medicines has been received.

Bhopal gas victims

1972. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press report which appeared in the 'Hindustan Times' of the 1st July, 1985 wherein it has been stated that people in Bhopal are still dying as a result of exposure to MIC even after seven months of gas tragedy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Government are aware of the press report.

(b) The information is being collected from the Government of Madhya Pradesh and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

(c) In order to tackle the health problem of the gas victims on a priority basis the State Government of Madhya Pradesh have augmented the existing health infrastructure as detailed below:—

1. One thirty bedded hospital with X-ray, Laboratory and Blood Analysor facilities.
2. One Polyclinic with X-ray Laboratory facilties.
3. Two clinics.
4. Four dispensaries.
5. One 20 bedded Eye hospital